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SUBJECT.

Resolution passed at the meeting of the Indian Planters' Association (Kyle) held at Chittagong to the effect that the interest on Rs 5,00,000/- out of the Railway Cess Funds be earmarked for the improvement of Roads in the Tea Districts

Forwarded (2) To the Hon'ble Mr. Indian Planters' Association Chittagong

No. L 1020 § 31-36

Stating that the Association views with approval the decision to the Indian

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Serial No.

Letter dated 26.6.36 from the Honorary Secretary, The Indian Planters' Association enclosing Chickmagalur regarding Resolutions passed at the meeting of the Association held on 23.6.36:-

The Resolution relates to the earmarking of the interest on Rs 5,00,000/- out of Railway Cess fund in Kadur District for the improvement of Roads in that District. The question of the utilisation of interest on Railway Cess is dealt with in the Development Secretariat. This reference may be passed on to that Secty. for disposal.

Dev Secy
with Compliments
(W.)

The resolution passed at the meeting of the Association dated 23.6.36

Note.—Contn. sheet.

WD 01258—GPB—5,000—14-12-34

is there interest on Rs 5,00,000/-
of the Railway cess fund for
the purpose of the improvement
roads in the Kadur Distt

Kind attn is invited to
G.O. No. PWD 54-T/ 2TB (05-33-20
dtd 18/1/31 vide Pg 31 passing
orders in regard to the five-year
programme of works. Construction of
bridges, culverts & opening up of new
roads etc in the Kadur Distt
out of the interest realisations
the said Railway cess fund. The attention
of the Secy of the Association may
perhaps be drawn to this G.O. & he
may be advised to approach the
Govt Board in the matter.

For orders -

A - This may be done

DB
20/7/36

Draft Submitted for approval.

2/7/36.

2) The Hon Secy
Indian Planters Association
Chikkamagalur

No 210 20 Dt 31/7/36.

Shall we inform that the Association may approach the Govt Board in the matter

VI/B
2/8/36.

TYPING SECTION
1936

All communications should be addressed to 'THE HONORARY SECRETARY'.

THE INDIAN PLANTERS' ASSOCIATION, MYSORE.

(REGD. UNDER THE COMPANIES' REGULATION OF MYSORE)

President: Mr. Urvinkhan Kalasai Gowda.
Vice-President: Mr. S.N. Ramanna, B.A.,LL.B.,
Hon. Secretary: Mr. Sylvester Pais, B.A., Ex-M.L.C.,

CHIKMAGALUR, VIA KADUR,

Dated 26 - 6 - *1936.*

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29.6.36.

To

The Chief Engineer,
Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Dear Sir,

I have the honour to forward to you for information and favour of needful action * the enclosed Resolution / ~~Resolutions~~ No. 14 passed at the meeting of the above Association held on 23 - 6 - 1936

I am to request you to be so very good as to acknowledge receipt of this letter and to intimate to me at your earliest convenience the action taken on the Resolution / ~~Resolutions~~ referred to herein.

Yours faithfully,

Hon. Secretary.

The Indian Planters' Association, Mysore.

CHIKMAGALUR, P O.

23-6-1936.

Proceedings of the Annual General Meeting of the Association held on 23-6-1936, at the Town Hall, Chikmagalur.

Urvinkhan Kalasai Gowda Esq., President of the Association, occupied the chair.

SUBJECTS AND RESOLUTIONS.

1. (a) Election of a member to the Advisory Board of the Government Coffee Experimental Farm, Balehonnur. **Deferred.**

   (b) Election of office bearers for 1936-37. **Deferred.**

2. Reduction of Motor Bus passenger fare on certain Motor Routes, Viz, Chikmagalur—Mangalore, Chikmagalur—Agumbe and other lines.

Subject sent in by **Messrs. L. M. G. Vas and L. J. Mathias.**

Resolved that the Proprietors of (a) The C. P. C. Co. (b) The Manjanath Motor Co. (c) The Shanker Motor Co. and (d) The Giri Service be requested to reduce Motor Bus fares on the (1) Chikmagalur—Mangalore (2) Chikmagalur—Agumbe and (3) Chikmagalur—Giri Roads, as these are higher than the rates prevailing on other routes, i. e. Chikmagalur—Bangalore, Chikmagalur—Mysore and Chikmagalur—Shimoga Routes.

3. Relief to be sought from the Government of Mysore in the matter of Land Revenue Assessment due to Government.

Subject sent in by **Mr. Sylvester Pais.**

Resolved unanimously that the Mysore Government be requested to restore the old rate of Assessment prevailing before 1926-27, i. e. Rs. 1-0-0 per acre, from the enhanced rate of Rs. 1-4-0 per acre, in view of the prevailing slump in the Coffee Industry.

In this connection it was brought to the notice of the meeting that the Coorg Government had already given relief in this direction to Planters in Coorg.

4. Revision of the rules of this Association.

Subject sent in by **Mr. Sylvester Pais. Deferred.**

5. Purchase of certain reference books and periodicals for this Association.

Subject sent in by **Mr. T. B. Malle Gowda.**

In the absence of **Mr. T. B. Malle Gowda** who had proceeded to Bangalore to attend the session of the Mysore Legislative Council, **Mr. Sylvester Pais** moved the Resolution.

Resolved that this Association do enrol as a first class member of the Silver Jubilee Library, Chikmagalur, and request the said Library to arrange to get

(a) The Planters' Chronicle, Coonoor

(b) The Tea and Coffee Journal, Calcutta'

(c) Statistics and Reports published by the Government of India [Government Press Depot, Delhi.]

(d) The International Journal of Agriculture, Rome, and

(e) The latest books or other publications on Coffee published from time to time.

6. Communications received from (1) the Secretary, Coffee Cess Committee, (2) the Secretary, Coffee Growers Association.

Read and Recorded. **Dharmapravertha M. L. Nagappa Setty** gave a detailed account of the work done by the Coffee Cess Committee.

Resolved that a Committee be appointed to draft a scheme to be placed before the Coffee Cess Committee through this Association.

The Committee is to consist of

1. **Dr. G. M. Prabhu,** M.A., PH.D., Econ. Berlin.
2. **Mr. T. Manjanath Iyer,** B.A and
3. **Mr. Javle Ganesh Rao with Dr. G. M. Prabhu as convenor.**

7. (a) Interim bulletin dated 12—4—1936, issued by the Secretary of this Association, regarding the results achieved by this Association since the last meeting held on 13-1-1936. **Recorded.**

(b) To convey the thanks of this Association to the several bodies who have helped to stabilise and to rationalise the Coffee Industry.

A. Resolved that the thanks of this Association be conveyed to :

(a) The **Government of Mysore** for (aa) the grant of a Taccavi loan of Rs. 3,00,000 @ 4% interest, to the Coffee Industry and (bb) for the discretion given to the Deputy Commissioners of Kadur and Hassan Districts to grant darkhasts of Coffee lands at an upset price of Rs. 10/- per acre.

(b) The **various Coffee Curing Houses** for granting a 10% rebate on Coffee Curing charges

B. Resolved further that the various Coffee Curing Houses be requested to reduce the rate charged for curing coffee to Rs. 30/- per ton with effect from 1935-36.

Mover **Mr. Sylvester Pais.**

DEFERRED SUBJECTS

8. Communications received by the Secretary from time to time (deferred subject No. 7 of the meeting held on 13-1-1936). **Recorded.**

9. Resolution sent in by **Mr. G. S. Hameed,** M. L. C.

(a) That this Council recommends to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, that Chikmagalur being the Headquarter of Kadur District, the name of the District be charged to " Chikmagalur District." (Deferred Subject No. 9 c of the meeting held on 13-1-1936).

Deferred, as the Mover is absent.

(b) That this Council recommends to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja that Belur being situated closer to Chikmagalur than Hassan be included in Kadur District for the convenience of administration. (Deferred Subject No. 8 d of the meeting held on 13-1-1936).

Deferred, as the Mover is absent.

(c) That this Council recommends to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja, that owing to the continuous depression lasting for years, the Coffee producer be granted a moratorium for execution of decrees for a period of two years as has been done in the Travancore State.

Deferred, as the Mover is absent.

(d) That this Council recommends to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja that a Coffee debt enquiry Committee be immediately appointed to investigate the ways and means to mitigate the indebtedness of Coffee Growers so as to bring the debt within their repaying capacity with the aid of a debt reconciliation board.

Deferred, as the Mover is absent.

10. Proposal of **Mr. Lakminarasu,** B. Com , Agent to the Mysore Government Industries, James Street, Hyderabad, Deccan, regarding marketing Coffee and Cardamoms in Hyderabad, Deccan. (Deferred Subject No. 6 of 13—1—1936.)

Deferred, as the Mover is absent.

11. Subjects received from **Mr. Bagamane Deva Gowda** (Deferred Subjects of the meeting held on 13-1-1936).

(a) That the Government be requested that the opening of a Coffee Bank at Chikmagalur which under consideration of Government be kindly expedited.

Deferred, as the Mover is absent

(b) That the Government be requested to please make a grant of Rs. 5000/- or to set apart 25% of the income under coffee cess for propaganda work of Mysore Coffee in India.

Deferred, as the Mover is absent.

(c) That the Government be requested to pass orders for giving over the adjoining land of Coffee Estate, at upset price to the respective holders without any penalty if that area is within ten acres.

Deferred, as the Mover is absent.

(d) The Government be requested to extend immediately the provisions of the Food Adultration Regulation to coffee in any form through-out the state.

Deferred, as the Mover is absent.

(e) This meeting resolves that the levy of an acreage cess of As. 8/- for conducting propaganda of Mysore Coffee as contemplated recently by Mysore Government be requested to be dropped as the Coffee Industry has already been overburdened with taxation.

Deferred, as the Mover is absent.

12. That in view of the low rate of interest now paid on fixed deposits and the slump conditions prevailing in the Coffee Industry, this Association requests the Bank of Mysore and other Banks financing the Coffee industry not to charge interest on loans at more than 6%, the same being compoundable half yearly.

Moved by Mr. S. N. Ramanna and passed unanimously.

13. With reference to the Takkavi loan of Rs. 3,00,000 sanctioned by the Govt of Mysore, @ 4% interest, it is resolved.

(a) That the limit of the loan be raised from Rs. 30/- to Rs. 50/- per acre.

(b) That no discrimination be made between small & big Planters.

(c) That loans, in special cases, be granted on the security of the crop alone, the hypothecation of the Estate not being made obligatory at the discretion of the Deputy Commissioner.

(d) The limit of the loan be raised from Rs. 3,00,000 to Rs. 10,00,000.

Moved by Mr. S. N. Ramanna and Dr. Prabhu and passed unanimously.

14. That interest on Rs. 5,00,000/- out of Railway Cess Funds be earmarked for the improvement of roads in the Kadur District.

Moved by Dr. G. M Prabhu and passed.

15. That the Governments of Mysore, Madras, Coorg, Cochin and Travancore be requested to contribute a sum equal to the Coffee Cess collection funds out of their respective territories, in order to augment the limited resources of the Coffee Cess Committee.

Moved by Mr. S. N. Ramanna and passed unanimously.

16. That the Government of Mysore be approached with a view to arrange for the barter of coffee in payment of the Rs. 14,00,000/- (or greater part thereof) worth of machinery, the Mysore Durbar is now arranging to purchase from Germany.

That further a deputation be sent to wait on the Government of Mysore to press this urgent matter. The said deputation is to consist of

Dharmapravertha M. L. Nagappa Setty	**Mrs. Sakamma**
Dr. G. M. Prabhu, M.A., PH.D., Econ. Berlin	**Mr. Kalasai Gowda**
Mr. S. N. Ramanna	**Mr. Sylvester Pais**
Mr. Ganesh Rao	**Dharmaprakasa A. Chandre Gowda**

That the Mysore Planters' Association and The Coffee Growers' Association be also requested to join the said deputation in order that the end in view be secured by their weighty support.

Moved by Mr. S. N. Ramanna & Dr. G. M. Prabhu & passed unanimously.

17. That the preference given by Britain to Indian Coffee be increased from 1d per lb. to 3d.

Moved by Mr. S. N. Ramanna & Supported by Mr. Sylvester Pais.

As there was sharp cleavage of opinion on free trade vs. protectionist policies the matter is deferred to the next meeting.

18. That (1) as it is unfair to levy Taxes on private Motor Lorries not in use, (2) and as the practice is different in British India, this Association requests the Govt. of Mysore to modify the rules under the motor vihicle regulation suitably (i) as not to levy taxes in such cases and (ii) to refund any taxes collected here before under such circumstances.

Moved by Mr. Javle Ganesh Rao & passed unanimously.

Chikmagalur,
25-6-1936.

SYLVESTER PAIS,
Honorary Secretary.

The Malenadu Printing Works, Chikmagalur

The Indian Planters' Association, Mysore.

CHIKMAGALUR, P. O.

23—6—1936.

Annual Report for the year 1935-36, presented to the members of this Association at the Annual General Meeting of the Association held on 23-6-1936, by Mr. Sylvester Pais, B.A., Honorary Secretary.

1. In the past the practice has been for the Secretary to read a manuscript report of the working of this Association. As it is considered preferable to place a printed copy of the report in the hands of the members this innovation has been introduced this year and the secretary hopes that the same will be appreciated.

2. The last annual General Meeting was held on 11—9—1935 on which occasion the report of the working of this Association in 1934-35 was read and duly approved.

3. During the season 1935-36, the following members were office bearers.

President: **Urvinkan Kalasai Gowda, Esq.,** *Vice-President:-* **S. N. Ramann, Esq.,** B. A., LL. B.,
Hon. Secretary:- **Sylvester Pais, Esq.,** B. A.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:-

U. KALASAI GOWDA, ESQ.,
S. N. RAMANNA, ESQ.,
SYLVESTER PAIS, ESQ.,
M. KANGA RAO, ESQ.,
L. J. MATHIAS, ESQ.,
G. S. HAMEED, ESQ.,
} *Ex-Officio.*
B. KESHAVAIAH, ESQ.,
D. C. RUDRAPPA, ESQ.,
B. DEVA GOWDA, ESQ.,
L. M. G. VAS, ESQ.,
M. L. KESHAVA MURTHY SHETTY, ESQ.,

All of whom evinced great Interest in the work entrusted to them.

4. The Standing Committee met 5 times, on 20—11—35, 1—12—35, 13—12—35, 14—1—36 and 23—6—3 and disposed of all the routine work of the Association,

5. The meetings of the general body were held on 11—9—35, and 13—1—36 and on both these occasions the attendance was good.

6. The membership of the Association has been as follows:—

1934-35 103 members. 1935-36 149 members. No. of new members 46.

7. The applications of certain Coffee Planters desirous of becoming members are pending and their number will be included in the next report.

8. The Hon. Secretary published an interim bulletin dated 12—4—36, and the same was published both in Kannada and English.

9. Amongst others, the following successes have been acheived by the efforts and representations of this association during the 1935-36.

a. Most of the planters have adopted the rates of wages approved of by this Association

(Mover Mr. Gulam Mahamed.)

b. The Deputy Commissioners of Kadur and Hassan Districts are authorised by the Government of Mysore to sanction Darakhasts of Coffee Jungles at an upset price Rs. 10/ per acre at their discretion.

(Mover Mr. G. S. Hameed, M. L. C.)

c. All Coffee Curing Factories at Tellichery, Mangalore and Chikmagalur owned by Messrs. Pierce Leslie & Co., Volkart Bros., Aspinwal & Co., A. J. Saldanha & Sons, F. F. X. Saldanha & Sons The Annapara Coffee Works Ltd., Mamally Coffee Works, T. Stanes & Co., Ltd., The Rice and Flour Mills Chikmagalur, The Mysore Coffee Works Chikmagalur, have reduced Coffee Curing rates.

(Mover Mr. L. J. Mathias.)

9. The Government of Mysore have sanctioned a sum of Rs. 3,00,000, to be paid to Coffee Planters, by way of loans carrying interest at 4% to tide over the present phenomenal depression in the Coffee Industry.

(Mover Mr. Sylvester Pais.)

9 Mr. O'Brien at an entertainment given in his honour, at Chikmagalur, on 11-4-36 announced that the Bank of Mysore had decided to reduce the rate of interest charged by the Bank of Mysore.

(Mover Mr. G. S. Hameed.)

10. **Mr. S. N. Ramanna** was elected unopposed to represent this Association on the Kadur District Board for the triennium 1936-39.

11. **Mr. Bagamane Deva Gowda** was elected to represent this Association on the Advisory Board of the Government Coffee Experimental Farm, vice Mr. C. Vasudeva Rao, deceased.

12. The finances of this Association are as follows :—

Year.	Opening Balance.	Closing Balance.
1933-34.	Rs. ...	Rs. 403—5—0
1934-35.	Rs. 403—5—0	Rs. 394-12—0
1935-36	Rs. 394-12—0	Rs. 490-11—8

The expenditure has been mainly on printing and postage. No money has been spent on travelling allowances and other expenses.

13. The thanks of this association are due to the Secretaries of

(a) **The Mysore Planters' Association,**

(b) **The Coffee Growers' Association,**

& (c) **The Coffee Cess Committee,**

Who are not only in communication with the Secretary of this Association but are also forwarding to us important papers relative to the bodies they represent.

This co-operation is very much to be appreciated by us as the same is conducive to team work which is so essential to success.

14. The following members of this association who have been elected to the bodies mentioned against their names, have been requested to present the report of the work done by them in the respective bodies.

NAME.	ELECTED TO
1. **Mr. C. R. Nirvanappa Setty**	Mysore Representative Assembly.
2. **Mr. Bagamane Deva Gowda**	Government Agricultural Farm, Balehonnur.
3. **Mr. S. N. Ramanna**	District Board, Kadur.

15. The Hon. Secretary takes this occasion to thank, on behalf of this association, all the bodies viz. 1. **The Government of Mysore.**
2. **The European & Indian Coffee Curing Houses.**
3. **The Bank of Mysore.**
4. **The Various Coffee Estates.**

Who have responded to the resolutions passed by this Association and who have helped to rationalise & stabilise the coffee industry.

The thanks of this Association are due to the **Municipal Council** of Chikmagalur for placing the Town Hall always at the disposal of this Association.

The Secretary thanks the **President, Vice-President** & **Committee** and other **Members** for their unstinted cooperation.

Chikmagalur,
23-6-1936.

SYLVESTER PAIS,
Honorary Secretary.

The Malenadu Printing Works, Chikmagalur

Appendix F G—1]

SUBJECT.....

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Section L.B.

File No. 44/36

Serial No. 2

Diary No. of letter replied to.....

No. L 1020 E1/

To

The Hon: Secretary.
Indian Planters' Association
Chikkamagalur

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Sir,

Date of issue 3/ 7-36

Signed by .....

With ref: to your letter dated 26/6/1936 addressed to the Chief Engineer, ~~forwarded~~ forwarding for needful action the Resolution passed at the meeting of the Indian Planters' Association (myself) at Chikkamagalur on 23/6/36, to the effect that the interest on Rs 5,00,000/- out of the Railway Cess funds be earmarked for the improvement of roads in the Kadur Dt, I am directed to invite your attention to G.O. No L 2834-7/LB109-33-20

List of enclosures.....

Copied by .....

Examined by.....

WD 08601—GPB—30,000—28-9-35

(Copy enclosed)

Dated 18/21st Oct 1935 passing orders in regard to the five year programme of works to be undertaken in the Kadur Dt. out of the interest realisations from the entire Railway Res fund amounting to Rs 11½ lakhs. I am to request you further to approach the Kadur Dt. Board in the matter.

A copy of G.O. No L 2834-7 dated 18/21 Oct sent to above for your information.

Yours faithfully

27/7/36

for Secy to Govt
Development

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

General and Revenue Secretariat

Dated, Bangalore, ~~27th~~ 31st July 1936

No. L 107691

From

The *Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Development Department.*

To

The Honorary Secretary,
Indian Planters' Association,
Chikmagalur.

~~Sir~~
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Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter dated 26th June 1936 addressed to the Chief Engineer, forwarding for needful action the resolution passed at the meeting of the Indian Planters' Association (Mysore) held at Chikmagalur on 23rd June 1936, to ~~the~~ the effect that the interest on Rs.5,00,000/- cut of the Railway Cess funds be earmarked for the improvement of roads in the Kadur District, I am directed to invite your attention to Government order No.L.2834-7/L.B.109-33-20 dated 18th/21st October 1935 (copy enclosed) passing orders in regard to the five years programme of works to be undertaken in the Kadur District, cut of the interest realisations from the entire Railway Cess fund amounting to Rs.11½ lakhs and to request you to approach the Kadur District Board in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

For Secretary to Government,
Development Department.

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